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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from February 16 to March 15 are listed below. These projects have been screened through the internal environmental review process for potential impacts on wetlands, threatened and endangered species, and cultural and archaeological resources, etc. Through the review process it was determined that environmental impacts have been kept to a minimum and mitigated as necessary, that they do not meet the criteria for significant actions as defined in the environmental review process, and may proceed. All these projects are in compliance with the Endangered Species Protection Act, Natural Areas Preservation Act, Interagency Wetlands Policy Act and cultural resource statutes.

Marshall State Fish & Wildlife Area

1907803 - This project will replace the roofs on three small sheds. Project was submitted for review on 2-14-19.

Illinois Beach State Park-South Unit

1907172 – This project involves two major utility lines at the site. Improvements include installation of a water service line loop and protecting an existing sanitary sewer line from lakeshore erosion. Project was submitted for review on 1-28-19.

Little Grassy Fish Hatchery

1908138 - This project involves construction of a new pole barn at the hatchery. Project was submitted for review on 2-26-19.

Fort de Chartres State Historic Site

1907323 - This project involves tree removal under an overhead utility line. Project was submitted for review on 1-31-19.

Cache River State Natural Area

1907369 - This project involves timber stand improvement within an area previously planted with trees in 2005. Project was submitted for review on 2-1-19.

Hennepin Canal State Trail

1904516 - This project involves demolition of an existing garage and construction of a new pole barn in the location. Project was submitted for review on 11-31-18.

Sangamon Valley Trail

1908337 - This project involves use of a heavy equipment crew to remove invasive vegetation along the top of the former railroad corridor. This activity will clear the way for surveys and engineering to occur for proposed trail construction. Project was submitted for review on 3-4-19.

· Eagle Creek State Park

1907094 - This project consists of burning the Eagle Creek Resort and Eagle's Nest Conference Center buildings at the park. Representatives from the U of I Fire Service Institute and local or state-wide fire districts will conduct prescribed burns of the buildings. Project was originally submitted for review on 1-24-19.

Lincoln Trail Homestead

1907942 - This project involves restoration of native vegetation along the hiking trail from the park entrance to the cemetery. Project was originally submitted for review on 2-19-19.

· Witkowski State Wildlife Area

1908500- This project consists of tree and shrub planting in an existing agricultural field being removed from production. Project was submitted for review on 3-7-19.

Apple River Canyon State Park

1908518- This project consists of tree planting in a former agricultural field being removed from production. Project was originally submitted for review on 3-7-19.

Dublin Highlands Pheasant Habitat Area

1908519 - This project involves a tree line removal in the pheasant habitat area. Project was submitted for review on 3-7-19.

Giant City State Park

1908599 - This project involves removal and replacement of ash trees located in parking lot islands of the Giant City Lodge. Project was submitted for review on 3-11-19.

White Pines State Park

1908737 - This project involves remodeling of one fourplex cabin. Project was submitted for review on 1-14-19.

City of Watseka

1905217 – This project involves providing financial assistance to the City of Watseka to assist with purchase of 64 flood-prone properties. Locations will be returned to open space for public use. Project was submitted for review on 11-19-18.

Kaskaskia River State Fish & Wildlife Area

1906160 - This project involves demolition of an old concrete block building and removal of 1 or 2 trees to facilitate demolition activities. Project was submitted for review on 12-27-18.

Questions and Comments

All questions and comments about the environmental review process or this newsletter should be directed to:

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